

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 18 and 20 as follows:

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B<sup>1</sup>  
18(AMENDED). A syringe for transferring a medical substance from a medical container provided with an elastomeric closure into an infusion container, said syringe comprising a plastic syringe body (1) having a front end and including a plastic hollow spike (9), wherein said plastic hollow spike (9) is arranged at said front end of said plastic syringe body (1) and is in one-piece with said plastic syringe body (1), said plastic hollow spike (9) includes means for piercing the elastomeric closure (11) of the medical container (10), said plastic hollow spike (9) is conical and tapered and said plastic hollow spike (9) is provided with a bevel (9a) extending over an entire diameter of said plastic hollow spike at a piercing end of said hollow plastic spike (9) so as to produce an eccentric tip having an edge facilitating penetration of said elastomeric closure;

whereby an amount of elastomeric particles from said elastomeric closure contaminating said medicinal substances and a danger of injury from the plastic hollow spike are reduced.

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B<sup>2</sup>  
20(AMENDED). A syringe for transferring a medical substance from a medical container provided with an elastomeric closure into an infusion container, said syringe consisting of a plastic syringe body (1) having a front end and including a plastic hollow spike at said front end which is in one piece with said plastic